

Appl. No.: 09/478,112

Patent
Attorney Docket: EPI-027 US
7008122001

REMARKS

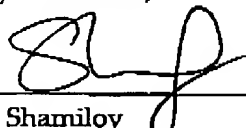
Pursuant to an interview with Examiner Cheung, suggested amendments have been reflected in the claims. On the basis of the suggested amendments, reconsideration and allowance of the claims is believed to be warranted and such action is respectfully requested.

If the Commissioner determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 50-2518, referencing billing number EPI-027 US (7008122001).

DATE: July 26, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

By: _____


Saina S. Shamilov
Registration No. 48,266

Bingham McCutchen LLP
Three Embarcadero Center, Suite 1800
San Francisco, California 94111
Telephone: (650) 849-4988
Telefax: (650) 849-4800